



General Assembly

February Session, 2024

**Raised Bill No. 5435**

LCO No. 1995



Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:  
(ED)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PLAN FOR THE  
CONVERSION OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO AN  
ADVISORY BOARD WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Education, in  
2 consultation with the State Board of Education, shall develop a plan to  
3 (1) convert the State Board of Education from being the department  
4 head, as defined in section 4-5 of the general statutes, of the Department  
5 of Education to an advisory board within the department, and (2)  
6 authorize and empower the Commissioner of Education to become the  
7 department head for the Department of Education. Not later than  
8 January 1, 2025, the commissioner shall submit such plan and any  
9 recommendations for legislation to the joint standing committee of the  
10 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education in  
11 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To require the development of a plan to convert the State Board of Education from the department head of the Department of Education to an advisory board within the department and empower the Commissioner of Education to become the department head of the Department of Education.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*